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NO: 1, and the protein exhibits at least one physiological activity selected from the group consisting of neuronal survival-supporting activity, nerve elongating activity, nerve regenerating activity, neuroglia-activating activity and brain memory-forming activity.

22. (Amended) An antibody which binds specifically to an epitope encoded by a nucleic acid sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 2, wherein said epitope is a portion of an expression product of a host cell and wherein said expression product is encoded by an expression vector transfected into said host cell and said expression vector comprises a DNA molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2, operably linked to a promoter.

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23. (Twice amended) An antibody which binds specifically to an epitope encoded by a nucleic acid sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 3, wherein said epitope is a portion of an expression product of a host cell and wherein said expression product is encoded by an expression vector transfected into said host cell and said expression vector comprises a DNA molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 3, operably linked to a promoter.
